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Residents enjoying temporary hotel stay

by Tracy Sisser
Hatchet Staff Writer

Transfer students living at the State Plaza Hotel were in good spirits as they met with Resident Assistant Dan Bilko to discuss policies and regulations at a floor meeting Monday.

Five students were already offered rooms in the residence halls, but others said they feel uncertain of their situation. "The worst part is that we don't know whether to pack or to unpack. We could be out of here tomorrow or we could be out of here in two weeks," said junior Amy Melrose, a transfer student from Beaver College outside of Philadelphia.

Students live in rooms with two double beds, a kitchen, cable TV, walk-in closets and private bathrooms.

Delpyne Weber-Martin, a senior sales manager at the State Plaza, said the hotel is making every effort to make the students comfortable. "I hope you have enjoyed having the luxury of having your bed made, room vacuumed and dishes washed," she told the students.

"We want to make the room as personalized as possible," Weber-Martin continued. She noted that, for example, students cannot use nails to hang up posters or pictures, but said they could remove the paintings in their rooms.

"It's easy to look for complaints," said Ben Mittleman, who transferred from Bucks County Community College in Pennsylvania. "The obvious (complaints) are the fact that you can't unpack and you can't make it feel like your home."

But there are benefits to living in a hotel, he said. "You have beautiful accommodations, so I understand why it has to be done . . . I don't really have any complaints," he said.

Robert Murphy, a sophomore transfer from Polytechnic University on Long Island said, "I personally feel that the University went all out." He complimented housing administrators for "putting us up in a what you would consider a luxury hotel and not just some dump."

"We are making every effort to be accommodating. We try to provide opportunities the dorms do not," Weber-Martin said.

Matthew Schmidt, a junior transfer

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A Roaring Start

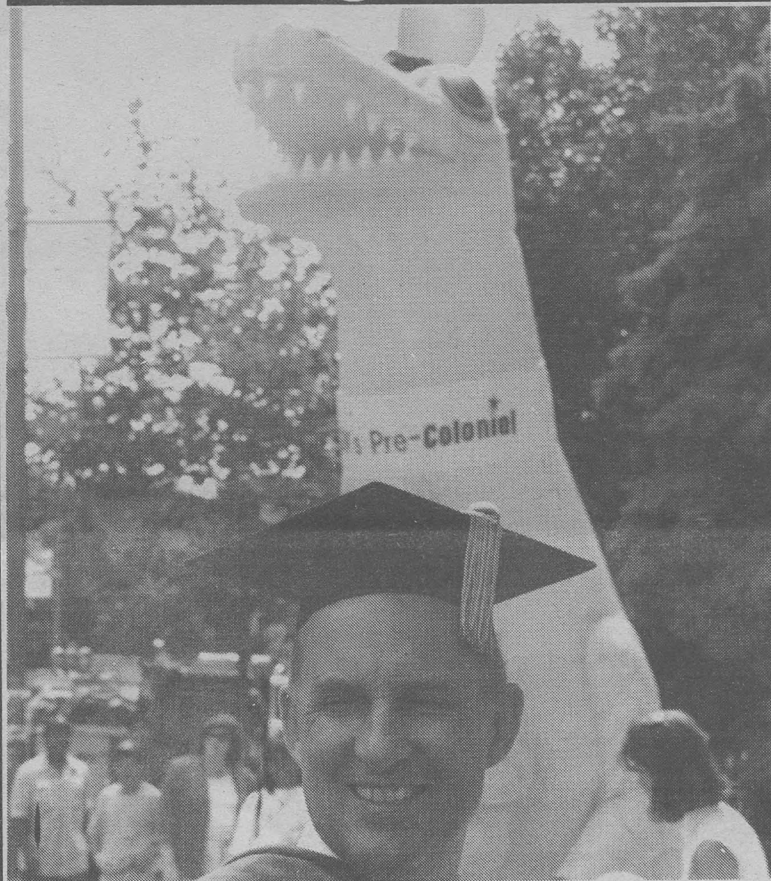


Photo by Ashraf Fahim

A 12-foot, Pre-Colonial dinosaur invaded GW's campus Monday for the Colonial Convocation. See story page 12.

Student influx causes some class shortages

by Zachary Nienus
Asst. News Editor

An unprecedented number of new students have flooded the telephone registration system, prompting the University to schedule additional classes.

More than 700 new students registered for their classes during the last Colonial Inauguration session in late August, calling for many departments to open new course sections, said Daniel Sheterom, assistant registrar for operations.

Because of the unexpected number of students registering this year, many of GW's schools opened new freshman-level class sections, including low-level English courses and introductory biology courses.

The registration process usually lasts about 4 hours during the last day of orientation. Yet the registration program Aug. 27 went more than nine hours, said Steve Loflin, director of Campus

Activities for the Office of Campus Life.

Loflin noted that about 250 students usually attend each session. The final session is traditionally the most crowded, Sheterom explained.

Constance Kibbler, English department office supervisor, said that her department had to add 19 new English course sections during the CI sessions, seven of these during the last session.

In order to meet the demand for classes in the last session, the English department had to hire two additional professors, Kibbler said.

He said many students complained about the long lines, but the wait was justified. "People's first reaction when they see a line is that the University has made some mistake or error. In actuality, it was the number of students that was much greater than average that caused the delays," he said.

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New security system installed in Thurston

by Elissa Leibowitz
Managing Editor

Thurston Hall residents may feel more secure in the hall with the addition of a new security system installed this summer.

The system, implemented this week, includes video cameras monitoring all public areas, a digital, multi-screen University Police console in the main lobby and closer monitoring of sign-in procedures.

Sheila Curtin, director of the Office of Residential Life, said it is too early to evaluate the system's effectiveness. "We're still learning the system," she said.

More than \$100,000 worth of electrical improvements and security upgrades included a combined desk for officers and residence hall receptionists to check IDs and sign guests in, cameras and a new call box outside the hall arranged by both room and residents' names.

Curtin said students pulling false fire alarms is the primary concern in Thurston. The security system, which includes four video cameras on each floor with rooms, and several in the basement and first floor, would monitor the fire alarms.

Some students, however, said they feel mixed about having cameras on the

floors. Some residents, like freshman Jason Friedenthal, said they feel as though "Big Brother is watching."

Freshman Ryan Garland agreed, but said he can see both sides of the issue. "It seems kind of like an invasion of privacy due to the fact that they really can watch everything we do (in public areas)," Garland said. "I can see both sides. It adds security, but there still is that element of Big Brother watching you."

Neera Verma, of Kingwood, Texas, said she feels comfortable that her son, Neil, lives in a more secure building.

"If it adds more security, I am all for it," Verma said. "A parent has to (worry). You still worry about (security) even if they are living next door."

Other residents said the cameras may only deter some crimes. "For theft, the cameras are great. But as far as alcohol goes, anyone can still sneak it in," freshman Cyrus Khorrami said.

"I don't know how much more protection it will serve," freshman Wylie Garfield added.

But Curtin said the purpose of the system is not to invade on residents' privacy. "It's not something we put in so

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Pepsi wins cola war on GW's battlefield

by Kelly McCollum
Hatchet Staff Writer

GW students will now have a tougher time getting "the real thing" on campus because of a new University contract with PepsiCo Inc.

Students will no longer be able to buy Coca-Cola products in campus dining facilities, stores and vending areas because of a new agreement with Pepsi that gives the soft drink company and bottler exclusive rights to soda vending on campus, said Bob Chernak, vice president for Student and Academic Support Services.

Two years remain on a five-year contract giving Coca-Cola advertising and pouring rights in the Smith Center. In that agreement, Coca-Cola donated a \$50,000 electronic scoreboard to the athletic center.

The University granted Pepsi exclusive rights because of the "financial and programmatic benefits received," Associate Vice President for Business Scott Cole wrote in a memo to Joint Dining Services

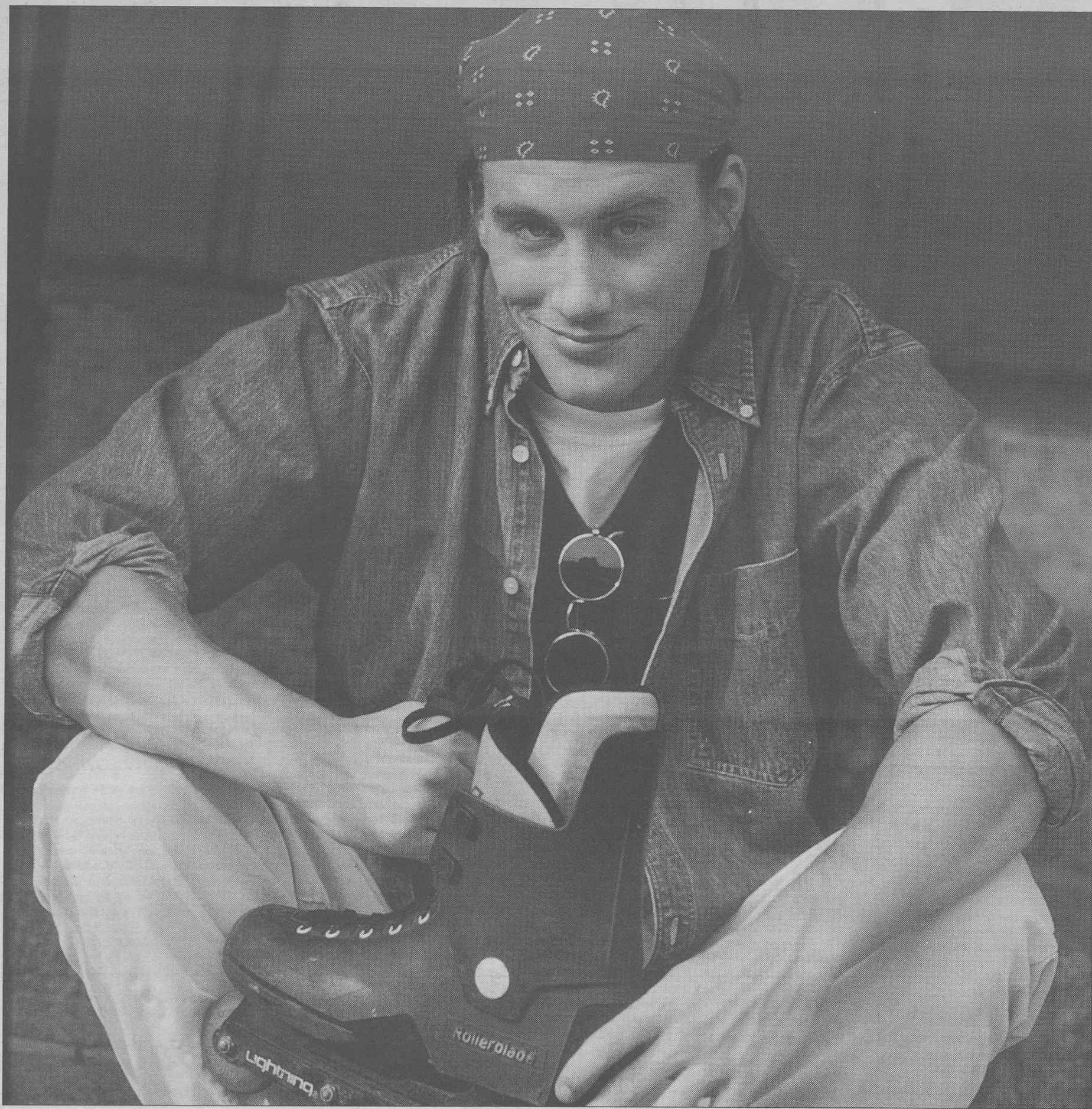
Board Chairman Anthony Aoude.

Chernak said the University will receive a significantly higher commission on drink sales. "Wherever we can have a better performance on auxiliary revenue to alleviate pressure to increase tuition" the University will take advantage of it, he said. In addition, Pepsi will provide funding for University scholarships and free sodas for some welcome week events, he said.

In his memo, Cole said the agreement was strictly "business based." He acknowledged the importance of giving students a choice in such matters, but said "the financial sensitivity and nature of the negotiation process (precluded) a participative process."

Cole wrote, "I regret that certain students feel trapped" but added that the agreement with Pepsi is "best for the University and its mission to educate our students as well as

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Demand for e-mail prompts hook-up fee

by Andrew Tarnoff

Asst. News Editor

Students who want to have electronic mail in their rooms will now have to pay a fee for the hook up.

The University is now charging an \$80 hardware equipment fee in addition to the usual \$35 refundable deposit for the ISN box hook-ups, said Ken Soper, Telecommunication Services associate director.

Last year, installation was free, thanks to a gift of 100 ISN units from the distributors. Because of an increased demand for e-mail hook-ups this fall, the University will be charging the \$115 total fee. Each unit costs GW more than \$100, he said.

Customer Services Manager Jennifer Bevacqua said fewer than 100 students had e-mail accounts last year, so the hook-up was free for everyone.

But this year, GW anticipated an increased demand for e-mail, she said. The Telecommunications office sent out flyers explaining the policy to students in early August. The first 100 ISN's were reserved soon after the mailing, Soper said.

Commenting on the fairness of this system, Soper said the free ISNs went to those who called in first. "The early bird got the worm," he said.

Soper added that his office has received many calls from students who are surprised at the new \$80 fee.

GW junior Andy Rubin said the fee is an annoyance. "I think it's an absolute joke. There's no reason for there to be an installation fee. The University puts money into stupid things," he said. He also criticized the University for charging \$80 for a phone line that only takes 30 seconds (to install).

Students who do not wish to pay the

new fee and the deposit, can purchase a modem or can use one of the many computer labs on campus. Buying a modem that is equivalent to the ISNs 9600 baud rate — the modem's speed — could cost more than \$150 and will tie up the room's phone line. The \$80 price tag for an ISN of that speed is rather inexpensive compared to buying a modem, unless it is ordered for four years.

Another disadvantage to using a modem for e-mail is the outside-line call that must be placed, which costs eight cents per call.

Riverside Towers Hall is the only residence hall on campus not equipped for ISN hookups, Soper said. The phone

service in Riverside is an "off premises" system, which is routed through C&P Telephone before it gets back on campus, he explained.

Wiring Riverside is a consideration that comes up at least twice a year, Soper said, but there are now no plans to

make the hall e-mail accessible. It would not be cost-effective, he explained.

Rubin, who lives in Munson Hall, said his room is getting the hookup despite the fee. He and his two roommates will split the cost, he added.

On another computer-related note, students other than engineers now have access to a unix e-mail account, a more advanced computer network that includes: telnetting, an international communication link; file transfer proto-

col which allows computer users to download software; and access to expanded on-line "newsgroups." These services were unavailable on the University's older IBM mainframe.

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Quality time

The Class of 1997 is the largest in 172 years of GW history, no question about that. Besides filling the residence halls, the amount of freshmen have forced academic departments to create more sections and cram those classes already in existence. In the future, the University needs to make certain that it can handle these kind of numbers over the long run. If not, it can jeopardize the very thing that attracts students here: education.

Applications jumped with the inauguration of President Clinton and the men's basketball team's success in the NCAA Tournament, something administrators expected. However, the percentage of students who chose to attend GW jumped, to the officials' surprise, and forced a scramble to accommodate the onslaught of freshmen.

We can understand the problems in planning this year, but the school must take steps to assure this does not repeat in years to come. In the short term, professors can handle additional classes and more people in the ones they expected to teach. Residential Life staff can deal with a temporary boost in occupancy. As the semesters pass, though, permanent moves such as hiring new faculty and building new residence halls need to replace the stopgap measures of this year.

GW has always seen a rise in enrollment after election years. The University has taken steps to make its presence more known across the nation, whether through mailings, recruiting fairs or publicity from its basketball program. The goal of the whole program is to attract more and better students. Lower acceptance rates and small professor-to-student ratios are integral tools to bring in high-quality freshmen. This year's plan of action, in the long run, will force both of those indicators to rise and eventually ruin the administration's improvements.

Now is the time to ensure GW is prepared to handle the classes of 1998, 1999 and 2000. In this time of increased competition between colleges, the school looks to be in good shape. Laying a good foundation now make the bigger and better GW of the future solid for another 172 years.

Thurston, on film

Thurston Hall staff and University Police have always fought to quell the building's reputation for false fire alarms and malicious pranks, such as setting doors on fire. The new video camera system installed in Thurston's hallways may help the battle, but officials need to keep in mind the statement they now send to the residents.

Some question whether the University is invading students' privacy with the cameras. Residents' concerns are understandable, but the setup of the system makes their fears seem unreasonable. The three monitors, split into 16 images each, show minimal detail. The digital technology flashes a small scene every three seconds, giving officers updated photographs rather than a television-like constant picture.

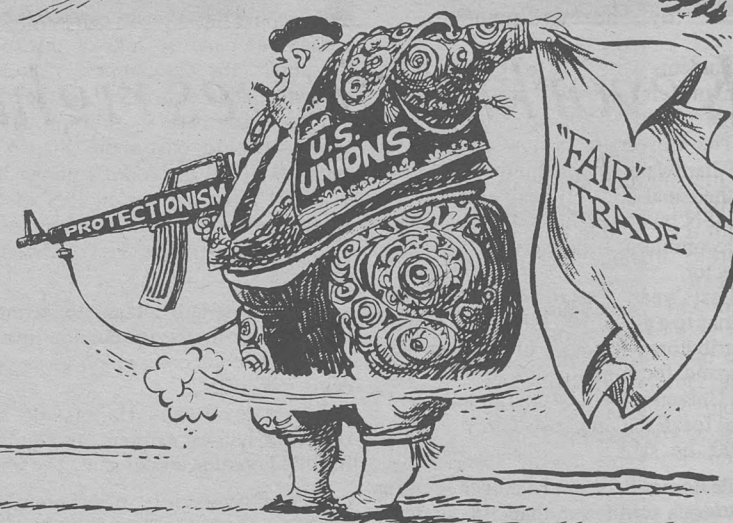
This system can do some good as long as the University sticks to the plan of monitoring the halls for the pulled fire alarms and the thefts from unlocked rooms, not for students tossing a ball around or congregating in the halls. GW cannot undermine the promises it has made. If it does, UPD runs the risk of truly becoming Big Brother, as well as absolving the residents of any feelings of self-responsibility.

This school always prides itself as a place that will not hold students' hands. Breaking its vow will run counter to that philosophy. Using the cameras for rule enforcement will also thwart the ongoing experiment in Adams and Francis Scott Key halls. There, residents have a hand in creating the rules that regulate how they live. If successful, this is supposed to expand to all residence halls.

People grow up at college because only they are responsible for their actions. To learn how to do this, students sometimes need to make mistakes and find out what happens when they are accountable. You should not have to pick up another set of parents when you come to GW.

Cameras in Thurston are justified because of its large size and the reputation of troublemakers. But the University has to limit the use of the system in order to not invalidate the education and experience its residents pay for.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Adams family

Yea to the new, independent GW Hatchet. Nay to its coverage of the freshman class. After thoroughly examining the paper for evidence regarding one of the newest and most unique groups of personalities ever assembled as incoming GW students — namely the residents of Adams Hall — we were shocked, disappointed and quite frankly slightly annoyed with the incomplete coverage of this body of students.

Granted, there are several interesting and pertinent articles geared toward these first-year students and what they can expect in experiencing "campus life" at GW. Unfortunately, there is not one iota of evidence to support the existence of 157 freshmen — 10 percent of the entire class — living in Adams Hall, a newly designated freshman residence hall.

As staff members here in Adams, we demand justice for our residents. We have had the opportunity to witness first hand the enthusiasm and excitement evident among this group of residents. We already have some fun and innovative programs planned for the academic year, including the implementation of the first-ever Residence Hall Community Standards Board.

Essentially, this board will be run by the residents of Adams Hall and will serve as a liaison between the Offices of Residential Life and Judicial Affairs. Students will be able to take part in creating, governing and programming their own living and learning community. If this program is successful, it will be implemented campus-wide.

What's more, this hall has already proved to be an exciting and involved community. Adams residents have turned out in droves to attend each of the Welcome Week events, in percentages that compete with the Thurston Hall crowd. This enthusiasm and participation should be rewarded and recognized.

Understandably, most of us automatically associate the freshman experience with Thurston Hall. For the past few decades, the two have been almost synonymous. But these times, they are a changin', for just as the face of the University continues to change, so too is the quality of its dynamic incoming student body.

All community members should be welcomed, and not overlooked. We are extremely proud of our residents and know they will make lasting and positive impressions upon this University. This is perhaps most evident within our new freshman community in Adams Hall.

-Erica Kern-Goldstein, Shawn Raymond, Amit Saluja, Dave Kaye
Adams Hall Staff

Thanks

Last spring's GW Miriam's Allnighter raised more than \$4,000 for Miriam's Kitchen, and your friends at Miriam's and all of our homeless patrons deeply appreciate it. Thanks to every one of the 300 or so students who participated or supported the event in some way. Thanks especially to Aubrey Jones and Debbie Newman at the Smith Center, Lauren Smith at Campus Ministry and Peter Konwerski at the Office

of Campus Life.

Miriam's Kitchen continues to serve breakfast each morning to more than 200 of the most destitute and deprived. We complement that with social and legal services as well as clothing. Occasionally, through our ministries, someone finds a home or a job, and we rejoice.

But we are always happy to send each of our patrons back out each morning well fed, warm and with a sense that someone cares. About 2 percent of the Allnighter's \$4,000 goes for administrative costs; the rest goes on the plates, so to speak.

The Allnighter is great fun and just incredibly worthwhile and we hope twice as many students play at this year's event. Again, thank you from all of us at Miriam's Kitchen.

-Bev D. Blackwood,
President, Miriam's Kitchen Board of Directors

No laughs

Paul Connolly's piece in the Aug. 23 issue of The GW Hatchet, "Campus rookies need to remember city's quirks when out and about," was amusing because it was written in a tongue-in-cheek style. But does it have to be at the expense of foreigners? I get the impression that non-English speaking creatures are part of what easily annoys him about life in Washington. I just hope incoming freshmen don't get that impression, given GW's commitment to multicultural diversity. Please, Mr. Connolly, let's be a little more sensitive next time.

-Jon Melegrito

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OPINION

Kevorkian forces right-to-die debate on U.S.

Imagine that you have contracted a terminal disease, AIDS or leukemia with no available bone marrow donor. Further imagine that because of this disease, you are restricted to your bedroom, where you cannot do anything for yourself. Feeding yourself is out of the question, for the strength has left you. Going to the bathroom in another room is out of the question. As time passes, you lose the ability to speak or even roll over. For all practical purposes, you have been classified in layman's terms as a vegetable. What would you do?

Dr. Jack Kevorkian is a name synonymous with horror and wrongdoing in most of America. It is well known that he has assisted several people in suicides in recent years. In fact, the right-to-die issue, euthanasia, has created a rather controversial philosophical, as well as political, debate because of Dr. Kevorkian and his actions. But why does Dr. Kevorkian persist in his attempt to help people kill themselves?

This question can only be truly answered by Dr. Kevorkian himself, but I would surmise that he feels it is in the patients' best interest to be literally dead. He is, of course, a doctor. Being such, it is merely his job to explore all possibilities that are in his patients' best interest, including termination of life. Now, I do not want to defend Dr. Kevorkian or his actions. I simply want to argue the issues surrounding the debate he brought forth.

The entire concept of killing oneself clearly is not new to the myriad of issues

facing the world. Typically, when one suggests suicide, images of leaping off a building or shooting oneself come graphically to mind. Dr. Kevorkian's method is by no means this crude but is certainly effective. His method involves a patient self-administering carbon monoxide through a device that Dr. Kevorkian built. Once lethal gas is inhaled for a few breaths, death is imminent.

It seems that there is no real controversy surrounding this case, for it is clearly within one's right to kill oneself. The legality of not only Dr. Kevorkian's device and his presence at the deaths of several individuals is what is under question. Furthermore, the state

Graham T. Klemm

in which Dr. Kevorkian assists suicides, Michigan, has recently enacted a law preventing such action. Ironically, Dr. Kevorkian is eagerly looking forward to a trial, for he wants the law to be overturned so he can continue to help, in his opinion, his patients.

These cases have multiplied the questions about the extent of a doctor's options in helping patients. How can a doctor play God? Should a doctor play God? How could a doctor's options be restricted to limit them to sustaining life, even if it is not in the patient's best interest? Some of these questions that I have

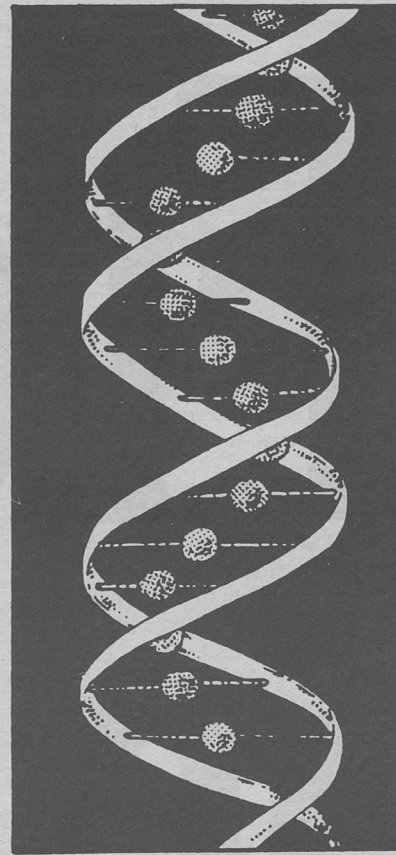
mentioned are somewhat more religiously based than legally. A question that is not asked but maybe should have, is how does one judge what is indeed in the patient's best interest?

It is obvious that Dr. Kevorkian feels that allowing someone to take their own life when they are terminally ill is a very viable option. I would have to echo this feeling, for I believe that people should not have to suffer for extended periods of time without hope of being relinquished. This whole issue can be construed to being a human rights issue. All you need to do is to think of it in those terms.

Go back to the opening illustration of a terminally ill person, is this humane? While death is not a positive alternative, it should be an option that doctors have at their access. The purpose of the medical profession is nothing more than to look out for the best interest of the patient. In some circumstances when life has become inhumane, death is the only flicker of humane treatment toward the patient.

By no means am I suggesting that all doctors should have the ability to discontinue life for patients, and maybe Dr. Kevorkian should not. The basis of my argument is that death, when called for by the patient in a terminally ill situation, should at least be an option for the doctor.

This issue is not going to cease with the case of Dr. Kevorkian, nor should it. Life is the most precious entity known to man and it is truly unfortunate when one loses life. But life filled with nothing



more than eternal suffering should not have to continue if the sufferer does not want it to. It's only humane.

Graham T. Klemm is a sophomore majoring in business.

Marginals

Party on, bigwigs

Life is weird. I don't just say that trying to rationalize why things are the way they are. I know life is weird, because not only do I read *Weekly World News* and *Star* magazine, but I also walk around this campus with my eyes and ears open. I see and hear you, and I know that GW is not exempt from the truly bizarre.

Party animals

Attention Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Pi Kappa Alpha: The next time you wily guys decide to have parties on campus, let me offer you some additions to your guest list: GW's own Steve and Francine Trachtenberg.

I know, I know, you would never think that the First Guy and Wife of GW would be worthy of your fine social gatherings, but if look closely at September's issue of *Washingtonian*, you will see that the esteemed mister and missus made the la-dee-da list of those people in hot demand for local parties.

Just imagine — President Steve beer goggling, moshing to Nirvana while First Lady Fran spends three hours in the basement potty fixing her hair and talking about boys.

In walks newly hired professor Haynes Johnson, followed by professor Walter Pincus and his WETA vice president wife Ann, (who incidentally, works with Fran. Ann and Fran.). Oh, my, it's now-and-then professor Steve Roberts and wife Cokie of ABC News! They all made the "Always in Demand" list.

The unfortunate news is that Georgetown University President Leo O'Donovan made The Capital's A-List of the Top 100 invitations to mail first. These days, it's good to know that Georgetown still beats us at something.

The time is now

Why is GW so darned time efficient? Walking to the Foggy Bottom Metro Tuesday, I eyeballed the newest addition to the GW family: another big ol' blue clock near Rice Hall.

I don't wanna whine about GW's plethora of time-telling devices, but we have a clock on G Street, one on H Street and now one on Eye Street. How many more do we need?

I got an idea: Send someone from Rice Hall over to the Metro stop to buy a whole slew of those cheapie, \$5 watches and spray paint them buff and blue. The GW Bookstore can mark them up to \$69.95 and sell them alongside those ever-popular GW sneakers.

Fashion Tip

To the freshman woman who bobbed across the quad wearing her chem lab safety goggles Monday at 1:45 p.m., let me offer you a fashion tip: The safety glasses look went out 40 years ago. Your two friends might have thought it was funny, but you might have well just worn a neon sign screaming "FRESHMAN!"

I'll let you know if I see your photo in the National Enquirer.

Elissa Leibowitz is managing editor of The GW Hatchet

Students need to give back to local community

Now that the fall semester is upon us, it's time to get back in gear, in the classroom as well as out of it. This summer has afforded us at the Neighbors Project the opportunity to devote time to a host of worthwhile causes. Since the Project's inception last year, several areas have been addressed in various ways, all centering on the Shaw community in Northwest Washington.

One area which has drawn our attention has been urban youth issues. It seemed to us that be more effectively utilizing the resources at our disposal as students of GW and also as young people that we could act as positive role models and make some sort of beneficial impact on the lives of middle school students in Washington, D.C.

We aim to do this in a myriad of ways, primarily by interacting on a one-on-one level between mentors and students. Our goal is to foster friendship and under-

standing, as well as guidance. Through sharing experiences, each side will have the chance to see and learn from a background which may be foreign to them and, as a result, they will find that their perspective has been enlightened in the process.

This one-on-one format will be supplemented by a detailed program schedule which will take participants to various venues in and around the city. We will journey to Hemlock Overlook in Virginia for a workshop one Saturday, while another day, we will visit the National Museum of African Art to explore their many wonderful exhibitions. Other scheduled trips include a day at the Baltimore Aquarium and a trip to the Sportland America theme park in Gaithersburg, Md.

We hope to promote an opportunity to broaden the horizons of everyone who takes part in the program. We want them to break out of the patterns which they have been forced to accept as truth. It is our objective to make them see that the only limits on what they can accomplish in life are set by themselves and not by stereotypes which are both intentionally and inadvertently promoted by our society.

This program provides a chance for all of you to get involved in an effort which is wholly worthwhile and fulfilling. This is a chance for you to show others that what you have been able to accomplish, those things which you may take for granted, are real and tangible for them.

While we have no doubts that your participation in the program will be fulfilling, it is a commitment. Upon undertaking this challenge, you will be required to devote a percentage of your time to the program. Don't be scared off by this, the time commitment is certainly not overwhelming, but it is essential if we are to reach our goal.

Hopefully, many of you will make the most of this opportunity. For those who are interested in taking part, applications for the Neighbors Project Mentoring Program are available now in the Office of Community Service, Marvin Center, Suite 427. The due date for returning completed applications is Sept. 10 by 5:30 p.m.

Robert Mulvaney and Katina Grays are co-directors of the Neighbors Project Mentoring Program.

Robert Mulvaney

Katina Grays



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Security

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we can watch whose going into who's room," she said. "We never intend to monitor who's going where."

Students entering the building will see a new design for the UPD station in the lobby. The change came in response

to student requests, University Police Director Dolores Stafford said.

"One of the things that I got feedback on was when people came into the building they had to go to the UPD desk and then had to go across the lobby to the RHR desk," Stafford said.

LeNorman Strong, executive director of the Office of Campus Life, added that the counter is now designed to allow the guard to monitor more carefully "when the masses come in."

Strong also emphasized this system does not include hidden cameras as other college security systems do. "We didn't like that they were tucked away so building residents didn't often know what they were, where they were or how they operated," he said.

All activities within the camera's range are recorded on tapes that are changed every day. So far nothing suspicious was recorded, Curtin said.

Strong admitted that part of residence life may include corridor activities such as lounging in the hallways or tossing a Nerf football around with some friends. He assured that the police officers watching the monitors "will take a stand only when life safety is threatened in any way."

Curtin said, "Once everyone becomes accustomed to using it, it will be very helpful."

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from the University of Minnesota added, "I think the only (problem) is not knowing where you're going to be."

Schmidt said, for example, that it is hard to give out a permanent phone number and address. "I went to fill out some job applications and they're asking for addresses. What do I put down?" he asked.

He also said it is hard to receive mail. "My parents don't know where to send me stuff. They can send me something here, and I could be some where else," he said.

Bilko said housing administrators will relocate most of remaining students next week after the housing census. He also said housekeeping will help students move their things to their new rooms.

Students still living in the hotel are "going by GW rules and regulations, as well as Residential Life guidelines," Bilko, who has been an RA for two years, said. "We want to make (students') stay here as convenient as possible."

Students living in the residence halls expressed their concern about the situation. "It is poor management," Ron Laflamme, a senior living in Milton, said. "Our tuition is covering their screw up. This is a typical University stunt. I'm not surprised."

Thurston resident Rachael Banzhoff sympathized. "It's probably hard for them. It's just a temporary place. They can't get a sense of belonging there," she said.

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providing optimal service to our community."

Chernak said the new contract does not impose on student's rights to buy Coke on campus. He said they can still buy Coke products at local vendors through the newly revised meal plan. Ciao! Food Store, for example, sells Coke, and T.G.I. Friday's offers Coke products on its menu, he explained.

The singular agreement is common at universities. "Generally speaking, universities enter into agreements with one or the other," Chernak said.

He explained that Marriott, GW's former food service company, made an agreement with Pepsi while the University had a preexisting contract with Coke. GW changed over to Pepsi because it preferred to be consistent with what was being offered by Marriott, Chernak said.

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Co-eds lay down law in FSK, Adams halls

Policy would increase student responsibility

by Oscar Avila

News Editor

If residents of Adams or Francis Scott Key halls blare their stereos too loudly this semester, a new policy will let their neighbors decide what punishment they should receive.

These halls' residents will create "community compacts" to set "in-house" rules and resolve conflicts, Jan-Mitchell Sherrill, assistant dean of students, said.

Sherrill said the new "self-governance" will not affect policies in the Code of Student Conduct, but it will let residents determine such things as quiet hours, visiting hours, the use of student lounges and even how the hall is decorated.

Each floor's residents will meet and decide their own rules, Sherrill said. Five residents on each floor will make up "community review boards," which will resolve conflicts and decide what action should be taken.

Sherrill said the new policy will "demilitarize" the resident assistants and change their traditional disciplinary role.

"(RAs) aren't enforcers. They shouldn't have to act like police," Sherrill said. "We want to give students more responsibility in their own communities and . . . be their brother's keeper."

"I don't want the RA to confront (students who break the rules). I want the residents to confront them," Sherrill said.

Amit Saluja, an RA in Adams Hall, said residents were excited after early discussions about the new policy, which he said will make them "more empowered to deal with situations." RAs will meet with residents Tuesday to discuss the policy further.

Saluja said one of his favorite things about the new policy is that students will be able to control their physical environment and even paint murals on walls if they choose as students on Mitchell Hall's creative and performing arts floor have done.

The program targets the 157 freshmen in Adams Hall, Sherrill said. The University had hoped to include Thurston Hall in the program but it was implemented too late, he added.

Shawn Raymond, an RA in Adams Hall, said students' inexperience in living in residence halls may actually make the community compacts work better.

"They may be more impressionable to what we'll have to talk about," Raymond said. "They won't be used to something else, another mode of living."

Adams will have eight staff volunteers to facilitate the process, and graduate assistants will help in both halls, Sherrill said.

If the community compacts are a success in Adams and FSK, Sherrill said the University hopes to expand it to all residence halls next year.

Sperm donors deserve a hand

College males find way to satisfy creditors and selves at same time

(CPS) — "Alex," of Davis, Calif., said he never thought he'd be augmenting his college funding in such a fruitful way.

But after seeing a student on the "Donahue" show who was putting himself through college by donating sperm, Alex said he remembers thinking it sounded like an appealing idea.

The \$25 or \$50 Alex receives for a cupful of his sperm at University of California-Davis isn't exactly going to solve a student's financial worries, but it is a pretty simple way to earn a buck.

Alex is one of many students whose participation as a sperm donor helps supply semen for various ongoing research and fertility programs operating out of the UCD Medical Center.

The university regularly buys sperm for purposes of artificially inseminating women who cannot otherwise conceive a child, according to Dr. James Overstreet, a professor in the division of reproductive biology and medicine.

Participants in this program receive \$50 for producing a sample of their sperm. And because a donor and his sperm sample are put through a critical screening process, it can be an effective method of determining the health and potency of the donor's sperm.

"That's another great thing about this program," Alex said. "I found out that I have good stuff. You know, good testosterone levels."

Candidates must first undergo an exhaustive screening process, which evaluates them genetically and traces three generations of their family genealogy before the program accepts them, Overstreet said.

Overstreet added that a candidate's physical make-up can also be a factor in his eligibility.

"We try to match the physical characteristics of a donor with those of an infertile couple," he said. "We want a variety of physical characteristics in the donors."

The artificial insemination program maintains the anonymity of both the donor and the recipients. "In law, (the donor) is not the natural father of the child," Overstreet said.

Alex, however, said he realized the notion of even indirectly impregnating a woman was troubling to him.

"It's not like I firmly thought, 'God, I don't want kids of mine running around out there.' But I was having enough of a problem with it that I didn't want to make a decision that I would regret later," he said.

Instead, Alex opted to donate his sperm for medical research purposes, a task for which he collects \$25.

Dr. John Gould, assistant professor for the Department of Urology, said that a donor such as Alex can expect his sperm to be used in numerous studies in male infertility.

"These (research) samples are usually used as controls in a variety of experiments that look at sperm functions," he said.

Gould is currently conducting research for a pharmaceutical company that creates a drug used to treat prostate enlargement in older men.

"The purpose of the study is to study the effects of this drug on male fertility — specifically young, healthy, male volunteers," Gould said.

Participants are expected to take either the FDA-approved drug or a placebo for a 60-week period during which they receive \$1,000 for providing 21 sperm samples.

"Participants get paid for doing it, but they have to meet the requirements," Gould said.

Gould said he recognizes the emotional aspect of being involved in any of the sperm donor programs — especially as an infertile recipient of donated sperm.

"People have difficulty coming in and talking about infertility," he said. "Semen is not like urine, blood or mucus. We endow it with a special quality. There is a sensitivity to this."

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Student wins award

GW student Michelle Riley was awarded the Harry S. Truman Scholarship this summer.

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strong analytical ability and intellectual depth. Riley was one of 86 winners chosen from 1,400 applicants.

Professor named fellow

GW statistics professor Robert T. Smythe was named a fellow of the American Statistical Association last month. Being named a fellow recognizes the individual's outstanding leadership in his field and his outstanding professional contributions.

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New program helps keep campus safe

by Doug Morris

Hatchet Staff Writer

The University Police Department implemented a new program designed to better patrol campus and make security more visible, UPD Director Dolores Stafford said.

The new program, called the Community Service Aide Program, allows students to help maintain a safe campus, Stafford said. The program has been in operation since May.

Applicants were selected during the spring semester for summer positions, which continue this semester, Stafford said.

The creation of the aide positions has not replaced any UPD positions, she said. The aides are meant to complement UPD's staff, not replace them.

The aides are paid between \$5 and \$8 an hour, depending on what shift they work, aide Hillary Haeg said.

They patrol the Marvin Center and Gelman Library, sit at the Academic Center information desk after hours and check IDs to control the use of the facilities, Stafford said.

Before the students are put in real situations, they are trained by a UPD shift supervisor who teaches them proper UPD procedures and their expectations. They are also trained in CPR.

The aides do not deal with incidents of crime, Stafford said. In the case where they witness an incident or are not given proper identification, they are trained to call the UPD shift supervisor, who will dispatch an officer to that community service aide.

Jessica Looman, a new aide and a senior, said the students are "freeing up the officers from the seated posts so they can be more visible." In this way, Stafford said, more officers can be on the street, thereby becoming more visible to the community.

The aides all wear bright yellow vests, as well as credentials and radios, Stafford said.

The idea for programs came from Stafford's similar work at Bucknell University in Pennsylvania. She said she found the program was effective, giving students new opportunities.

Stafford said programs such as this one are fairly common on college campuses. "Different campuses use students in different ways, some using them as dispatchers, some using students to do patrol work."

Looman said the program is not only a good idea, but also works well. The aides give a new face to UPD and make the effort to make the campus more personable, she added.

GW senior Ariel Shaynak said she thinks the aides are a great asset. "People are more willing to call another student than to go to those in a higher position," she said.



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School to establish education policy ctr.

by Nur Sati
Hatchet Staff Writer

A new center for education policy studies, the first of its kind in the greater Washington metropolitan area, will be established at the School of Education and Human Development toward the end of this semester, SEHD Dean Peter Smith said.

The center is intended to put universities and school education on the leading edge of policy development, he said. "We anticipate harnessing the Washington, D.C., area, the congressional area, professional associations and other policy think tanks like the World Bank and United States Agency for International Development," he said.

The center will open some time after Nov. 1 when the newly appointed director Ray Rist arrives. Rist is now director at the U.S. General Accounting Office Case Studies Program and has experience in the federal government directing policy research and analysis, according to SEHD's newsletter.

"This (new center) is a breakthrough because it is school-wide," Smith said. The advising board will come from the

SEHD faculty and across the University as opposed to having one department in charge. Outside sources will also input policy, he added.

The policy center will generate tremendous research and learning for the faculty and students, Smith said, although he said he didn't know which issues would be top priority.

He did say, however, that the center will look at issues which are timely in terms of public debate and which fall into its areas of expertise. Some of the issues would include international education, quality management and integrated services, he said.

In addition to Rist, an assistant and a graduate assistant will work at the center. They will be hired after Rist arrives, Smith said. SEHD will pay the center's approximately \$100,000 in operating and personnel expenses for the center, he said.

The research will be paid for by foundations and organizations that request the work, Smith said.

The policy center will be in the University Inn building, which is being renovated. SEHD expects to move in by the end of the semester, he said.

Old hotel will house academic facilities

The School of Education and Human Development will have a new home in a former hotel on campus by the end of the semester.

The University Inn, on the 2100 block of G Street, is being renovated to accommodate faculty offices, seminar rooms for 15 to 30 students and student services, SEHD Dean Peter Smith said.

Administrators expected completed construction by this summer. The SEHD, which is now scattered across campus, was scheduled to move in time for the fall 1993 semester. A District zoning delay set the move-in date back to December, he said.

This is the first time all of the school's faculty, except for the exercise science and tourist faculty, will be under one roof, Smith said.

The school's faculty and administration have offices all across campus, some of which are "buried" in Fungler Hall and the Academic Center, as well as off campus, Smith said.

As part of the migration plan, the move will create room in Fungler Hall for social science offices, Roderick French, vice president for Academic Affairs and chairman of the space committee, said.

The statistics, women's studies and public policy departments will all move into the SEHD's old offices in Fungler Hall, French added.

He explained the space committee's interest in moving the members of each department together. "Each school should have at least one building for identity," he said.

-Jessica Buel

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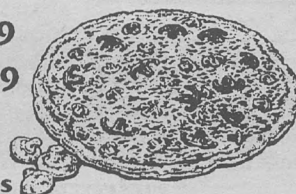
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by Alex Rosenheim
and
Maren Feltz

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Now that school has cast a dark shadow over the lives of unsuspecting GW students, everybody is looking for a hangout as comfortable as that famous Boston basement bar. Well, Milo's has renovated it's own famous basement in hopes of becoming a comfortable old / new hangout for GW students 18 years and older, The Froggy Bottom Pub.

Herbert Kerschbaumer, the new manager, says the pub staff and owners have been working for three months to make The Froggy Bottom Pub a place students can think of as home. As bartender Alex Bahta says, "It's a hole in the wall, but it's a comfortable hole in the wall. We want this to be a place anybody would feel comfortable coming into."

And from the looks of it, they are succeeding. Along with the student crowd guaranteed to any drinking establishment on the boundary of campus, Bahta says the pub is also drawing staff from the medical facilities and patrons from local restaurants. Bahta says he imagines the place like a more crowded

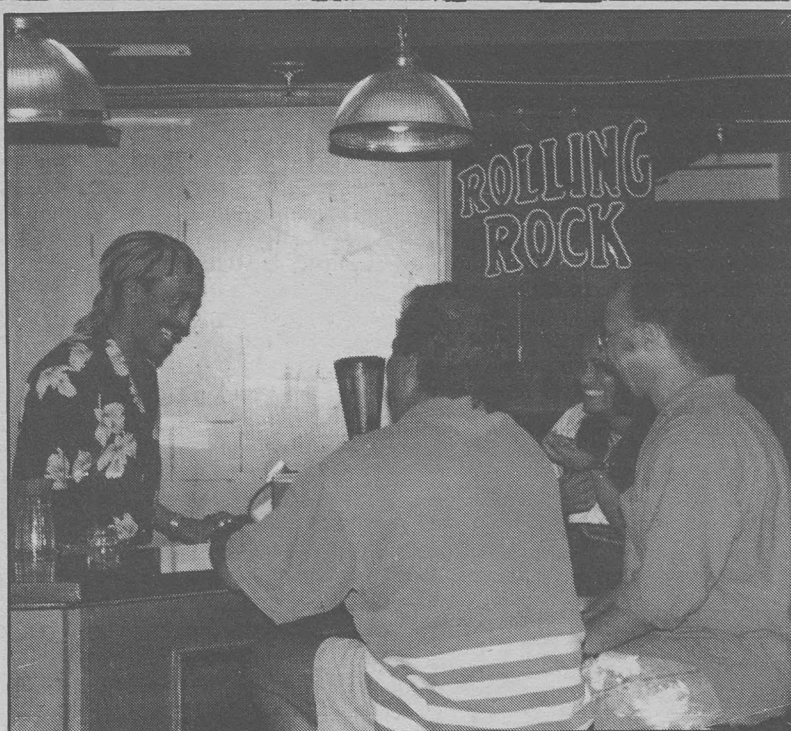


version of Cheers. "We want to be on a first-name basis with everybody who comes in here; that's really important to us," Bahta says. Since there are only two bartenders, people will feel comfortable and get the same service no matter who is working, he adds.

Though the basement pub is still a part of Milo's, it definitely has a new atmosphere. Kerschbaumer says the owners wanted the pub to be more than just a bar. To that end, they brought in two new dart boards, a pinball machine and a video game to provide entertainment for patrons. Bahta says these attractions give Froggy Bottom an edge over other local bars like The Red Lion and G.G. Flippis. For even greater convenience, students can use their GW meal cards to buy food from a new menu featuring items requested by the students.

But don't worry about a total change from the past. The dance floor is still there, although now there is a jukebox so people can choose the music they want to hear. Murals of lounging frogs by local artist Rik Freeman give the place personality. "Rik is a great guy, (and makes regular visits)," Bahta says. He notes that Freeman's murals make the pub unique. "When was the last time you walked into a bar with murals all over the place?" he asks.

One ongoing promotion sure to draw



photos by Whitney Hightower

Bartender Alex Bahta jokes with customers at Froggy Bottom Pub.

regulars is the Pub Mug Club, which allows customers to purchase their very own 34 oz. mug (two ounces shy of a pitcher) for \$25. Froggy Bottom Pub will engrave your name or whatever you like onto it, and keep it on its own hook at the bar. You can get a refill for three bucks.

Though the pub runs a \$3.99 pitcher special Wednesday and Friday nights, the mug special is available anytime. There are 10 club members already,

with 40 more people just waiting for their personalized mugs to arrive.

Other specials include \$1 domestic drafts Tuesday nights, \$2 Jagermeister shots Thursday and a late night happy hour 10 p.m. til close Saturday.

Only we students will be the ones to truly say whether the pub is going to be home, but it is clear that the management has opened its arms to make The Froggy Bottom Pub as close to home and as comfortable as possible.

Kalifornia quakes from bad directing, even worse editing

by Laurie Rodriguez

Brad Pitt has done it again. His portrayal of ex-convict Early Grayce in Dominic Sena's *Kalifornia* is extraordinary and a great follow up to his work in *A River Runs Through It*.

Unfortunately Pitt's performance,

and the performance of his real-life girlfriend Juliette Lewis (Adele Corners, also his film girlfriend), are the only reasons to see this film.

Kalifornia has great potential with an interesting plot and a young and talented cast. However, its poor editing and lack of direction leaves the audience upset about spending \$6.50 on a movie that

looks like it was made for television.

Urban couple David Duchovny (Brian Kessler) and Michelle Forbes (Carrie Laughlin) embark on a journey to California to photograph America's most famous murder sites. Brian is gathering research for a senior thesis and Carrie is taking the photos to accompany his material.

Since the couple is low on cash, they advertise for riders to share expenses. Little does the couple know when Grayce responds to their ad, that he would change their lives forever and leave murder sites of his own.

Grayce creates problems at every gas station and bar they stop at and entertains the audience with his outrageous behavior and awful grammar. Pitt's charisma shines through and adds comedy to the drama and suspense. He is familiar with the "bad boy" character from his hitchhiker role in *Thelma & Louise*, and he brings Grayce alive and makes this film almost bearable.

However, even Pitt's antics were not outrageous enough to entertain one critic who left the theater two-thirds of the way through.

Grayce joins Brian and Carrie with his girlfriend Adele Corners, a young, naive 18-year old. Adele hides from reality and Grayce's nefarious behavior by singing songs and playing games with her yo-yo. Adele, who was raped as a teenager and thrown out by her mother, clings to Grayce as a protector and lover. She is blind to his faults and tenaciously defends him.

Whenever Lewis is on screen she steals the show. She surprised many with her Academy Award nomination for her role as the estranged daughter of Jessica Lange and Nick Nolte in *Cape Fear*. No surprise here if Lewis earns

another nomination for best supporting actress. Although *Kalifornia* will not fare as well as *Cape Fear*, her reputation will survive this mediocre film. She proves to the film industry that she is a rising star and is capable of challenging roles. Film goers will definitely see more of her in future.

Furthermore, transitions do not flow smoothly from scene to scene. A bond develops between Carrie and Adele which has a significant impact on the ending. If their relationship would have grown progressively throughout the film, the ending could have been more believable. However, it seems like the relationship is thrown together to bring upon the conclusion.

Despite strong performances from Pitt and Lewis, *Kalifornia* includes numerous irrelevant ideas and scenes. Carrie and David, for instance, try to resolve what triggers Grayce's evil behavior. Possible explanations for his actions are introduced but never resolved.

Sena is still evolving as a director and his background in music videos is evident in the great music score which accompanies the film. It is clear he is still learning what it takes to make it on the big screen.

Kalifornia has its moments — it has a fair amount of action, suspense and comedy — but in the end you are left disappointed.



Adele (Lewis) (l.) and Michelle (Laughlin) check out the rear view during their ill-fated roadtrip.

ARTS & FEATURES

Sex shop supplies tantalizing summer

by Katina Grays

While most GW students were slaving away at jobs in a mall this summer, I had the coolest summer job. No, I did not intern on the Hill or work in an illustrious law firm. I worked in a sex shop.

The owners of the store prefer to call it "an adult novelty store." It isn't seedy or tacky or in a bad neighborhood. In fact, it is just the opposite.

The products in the store are presented in a tasteful manner. The shop is in an affluent neighborhood. The clientele are not pimps and prostitutes, convicted sex offenders or crazed pedophiles. The typical customer is your average yuppie type, who generally comes with his or her spouse or significant other on a quest for sex toys to improve their humdrum sex lives.

The shop carries a wide variety of products ranging from lingerie and T-shirts to vibrators and dildos. At first, I was a little overwhelmed by all the merchandise, but I learned to be comfortable talking with customers about the products.

I guess my job was retail sales, sex therapy and counseling. Customers tended to have diverse sexual interests, and it was my responsibility to make them feel comfortable talking with me about their respective needs.

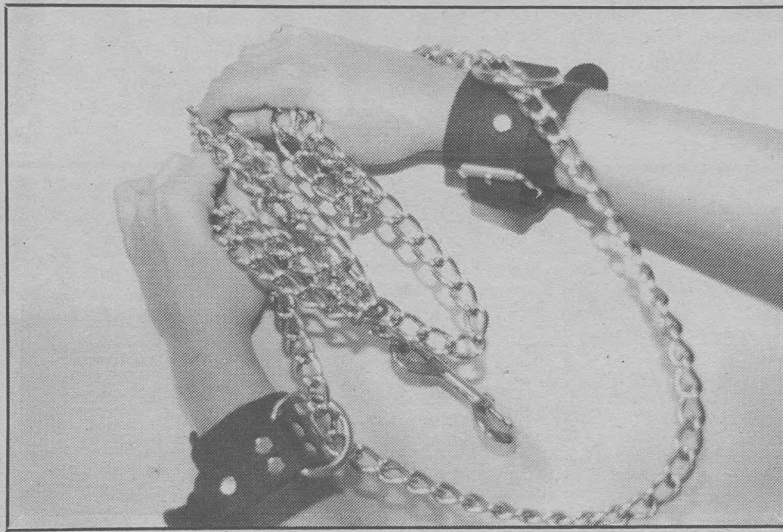


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Tie me up! Tie me down!

I approached every situation individually and with an open mind, which was often necessary when male customers would ask to try on women's lingerie or female shoppers would shamelessly burst from the dressing room in various stages of undress, seeking the honest opinion of a salesperson.

Initially I was nervous, but the more comfortable I was, the more relaxed the customers were. Interpersonal skills and sensitivity were important. For instance, I learned to be sensitive to the men who bought vibrating blowup dolls without questioning or judging their motives. I also had to deal with male customers who were looking for products that aid in maintaining erections. It was my job to make them feel comfortable without feeling any less macho.

Customers regularly knew exactly what they needed and were more than willing to explain various products to me. This was great because it provided me with a vast information base to pass

on to other customers.

One thing I noticed was that most college age customers were looking for safer sex items such as condoms, dental dams and lubricants containing the spermicide Nonoxynol-9. The typical questions from college students were about which condoms were the best or most popular or which lubricants were condom compatible. These were simple questions, and I was glad to see so many college students concerned about protecting against unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases.

I learned a great deal this summer at my job, but more than anything I learned the importance of an open mind. People tend to be judgmental of anything that is different or nontraditional. Instead, they should be willing to ask questions and expand their horizons. If people would open their minds, they'd find there's an exciting world just waiting to be explored.

Guide helps students shop for a better world

by Brad Hennings

How many times have you bought a product and wondered if the company was environmentally friendly, committed to the advancement of women and minorities, or even conducting animal testing?

Well, for those of you who with these questions on your mind, the Council of Economic Priorities has released a guide evaluating companies on their corporate responsibility.

Students Shopping For a Better World grades manufacturers of favorite student items such as fast food, sneakers, school supplies and jeans. They base their evaluations on such issues as a company's environmental record, equal opportunities for women and minorities, and disclosure of information to the outside public.

With reference to the above issues, the companies are given an "A" for outstanding performance, mixed performance receives a "C" and poor performance rates an "F." The rating "I" is given to companies whose responses to survey questions

Find out which companies are socially responsible before you buy their products!

were too incomplete to determine a definitive rating.

The book's "Honor Roll" for outstanding records includes a mixed bag of companies — some surprises and a few old favorites. A partial list of these companies include: Ben & Jerry's, Anheuser-Busch, Coca-Cola, General Mills, The Body Shop, Time Warner and PepsiCo.

Among the "underachievers" are: RJR Nabisco, Texaco, USX Corporation and Reebok International. The book stressed that the good and bad ratings were only in relation to "student" products.

More than just a ratings guide, *Students Shopping For a Better World* serves as a source for anyone interested in social action. It has chapters devoted to money matters, advertising and socially conscious jobs.

This guide isn't presented in a cheesy way, so it serves as a serious guideline rather than a feel-good pat on the back. The book also includes a list of addresses of organizations and departments readers can contact to become involved in social action.

This book will not convert the unconverted, or change die-hard habits. If you are already a committed environmentalist, however, then this is the book for you.

Dave moves late show lock, stock and barrel

by Oscar Avila

Can you stand one more article about David Letterman?

Since CBS inked Letterman last spring to try to save its late-night lineup, the network has been trumpeting his praises at every possible opportunity. As the Prince of Late Night quipped Monday during the debut of his "Late Show with David Letterman," "Next week, I get to kill a guy on 'Murder, She Wrote.'"

Nothing could have lived up to the hype (including cover stories in *Time* and *GQ*) that accompanied Letterman's new show but, at least in his first two shows, he came darn close.

Letterman did well following the adage, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." In fact, one of the few new things about the show was the time slot. And in Washington even that didn't change, since the local CBS affiliate is still contractually obligated to air "The Arsenio Hall Show" at 11:35 p.m., much to the grief of early-risers.

Most of Letterman's trademarks made the trip with him to CBS despite copyright infringement threats from NBC executives. The now legendary Top 10 list lives on, complete with a barrage of high-tech graphics that seemed strangely out of place. "There's a million bucks right there," Letterman joked.

Dave's bandleader (and foil) Paul Schaffer returned with his "CBS Orchestra," a much bigger unit which still sounded great with musical guest Billy Joel, who played Monday, and John Mellencamp, who appeared Tuesday.

Larry "Bud" Melman popped up on the debut show as well, though even that character's name is claimed by NBC. To further gibe the network, Dave's pal Tom Brokaw of the "NBC Nightly News" came out during his opening monologue, snatched two cue cards and sternly intoned, "Dave, these jokes are the intellectual property of NBC."

Most importantly, Letterman showed no sign of trying to make his show more mainstream to reflect his earlier time slot. Opening guest Bill Murray, who was also Dave's first guest on NBC, came out, did a cartwheel, rambled for about 15 minutes and spray-painted Letterman's desk with a huge "DAVE!"

Likewise, Paul Newman, after being introduced in the audience, stood up and, apparently thinking he was in the wrong theater, confusedly asked, "Where the hell are the singin' cats?"

Hardly the stuff for Mr. and Mrs. Middle America. Hardly mainstream. But still damn funny.



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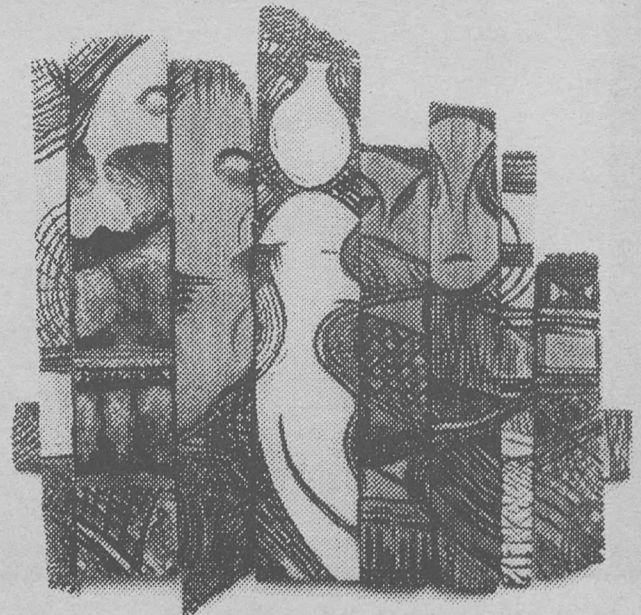
Mr. Nkurumeh's art is currently featured in "Home Stories: The Art of Barthosa Nkurumeh," at the Colonnade Gallery through September 23.

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Correction

The p. 27 story in the Monday, Aug. 30 edition of The GW Hatchet, "GW finds talent in new coaches as athletes prepare for season," should have said the GW volleyball season begins Sept. 1 against the University of Virginia.

Class

continued from p. 1

Sheterom said while the registration system could handle all the students simultaneously, the University obliges new students to register during CI. "We

think that the registration program during CI is necessary in order for students to feel comfortable with the system when they use it in the future," Sheterom said.

Loflin said considerations are being made to prevent a similar situation from happening again, including adding another orientation session and dividing transfer students up among other CI sessions, rather than concentrating them all in the last one, he said.

Program celebrates first week of classes

by Jennifer Batog

News Editor

"Ours is a world already fissioned by race, nationality and culture. The only way to transcend this is education," W.E.B. Du Bois English professor Henry Louis Gates Jr. told students and faculty members in Lisner Auditorium Monday.

Gates was the keynote speaker at Monday's Colonial Convocation, which officially opened the school year. He is the director of the African-American Studies Center at Harvard University.

In his speech, titled "Will the Real Multicultural Please Stand Up," Gates joked with the audience of almost 100 people, and discussed the connection between acceptance of others and education.

"There is no tolerance without respect," he said. "There is no respect without education. There is no guarantee that we will arrive at equality. But the worst mistake we can make is not to try."

He also addressed some of his remarks to the freshman class, telling them the college years are the best times of their lives because they have the freedom to remake themselves. He encouraged the class to use this freedom and be adventurous. "You will never be this free again," he warned.

In an addition to the ceremony, GW political science doctoral candidate Thomas M. Rial was awarded a certificate of recognition for his quick thinking last April when he saved the life of a Russian visitor.

Rial, who works for the Department of Agriculture, was walking with a group of Russian visitors when he pulled a member of the group out of the path of a truck. Another member of the group was struck and killed by the truck.

After the accident, he helped police track down the truck driver, console the visitors and deal with the Russian Embassy.

"He displayed courage and integrity," University Marshal Jill Kasle said. "We are proud to call him a member (of GW)."

The event continued, with speakers University President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, Student Association President Scott Adams, Vice President of Academic Affairs Roderick French and the deans of all the schools, who gave short histories of their school.

Students on the way to class stopped to watch the pre-ceremony parade around campus. A 12-foot yellow inflatable "pre-colonial" dinosaur stormed around campus and waved to spectators. University officials all rode in the parade on Physical Plant Department carts and distributed GW sunglasses to spectators.

Faculty members and student groups, including the Student Association, The Black Peoples' Union and the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance marched in the parade. Sports teams, such as the basketball, baseball, soccer, cross country and water polo teams also participated.

"This is the most elaborate parade I've seen in my six years here," said Elliott School of International Affairs graduate student Mark Erickson. "I think it's fun. It's not a bad idea... they're trying to instill some school spirit."



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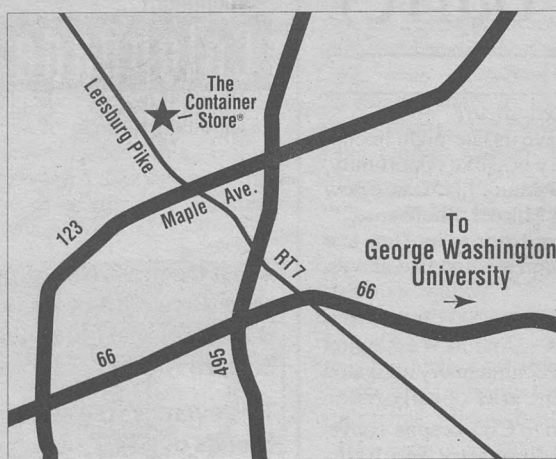
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Thurston Hall copes with crowded rooms

Thurston Hall residents living in what should be triple occupancy rooms said they are coping with being assigned a fourth roommate.

"The space is pretty cramped, but we are getting along really well," said Amy Stephens, a Thurston resident from St. Louis, who lives with three other women in a room that housed just three residents last year.

Sheila Curtin, director of the Office of Residential Life, said housing administrators do not anticipate any problems with the extra person per room. "Overall, it's going very smoothly. Students are happy," she said.

Parents are more concerned about the crowding than the residents, she said. They were especially concerned about those rooms that did not have alcoves. "They felt it was crowded, but we

worked with an interior designer" to design space efficient rooms, including bunk beds and lofts, Curtin explained.

Most of the students, if given the opportunity to move, said they wanted to stay where they are, Curtin said.

Some residents, though, said they are having trouble finding space in their rooms. Nicole Auldridge, of Denver, Colo., who also lives with three other women, said, "It's a little cramped, and it's hard to find a lot of room for our stuff."

Donna Brutkowski, a Thurston resident from Brandon, Vt., looked on the brighter side of her four-person room. "If you are creative with space, you can do a lot."

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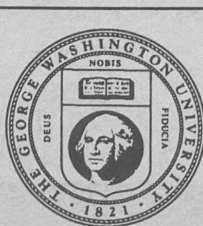
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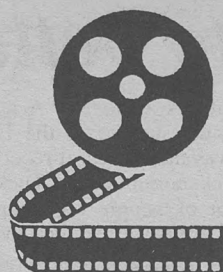
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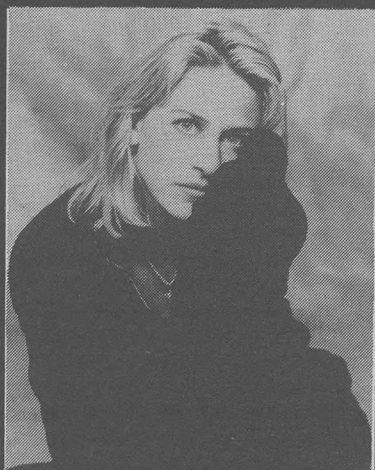


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Tuesday, September 7	1 - 4 pm	MC 402
Wednesday, September 8	6 - 9 pm	MC 403

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- Student Association and Funding
- Publicity and Promotion
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Please R.S.V.P. for the session you will be attending by contacting Campus Activities, MC 427, 994-6555. Deadline for registration: **SEPTEMBER 10, 1993.**

Please remember that a representative from your organization **MUST ATTEND** one of these meetings in order for your organization to be registered for the 93-94 school year.

Campus Activities
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Campus gives thanks for new food service

by Scott Gruber
Hatchet Reporter

Most GW students have reacted favorably to the changes ServiceMaster has made in GW's dining service options.

Both students and staff said options, variety and quality of food have all improved since the Chicago-based company replaced Marriott Aug. 19.

"ServiceMaster is doing a fantastic job with all these new choices students have asked for for years," sophomore Brian Alcorn said.

ServiceMaster will expand Thurston Hall's dining hours, add a 24-hour deli and convenience store in Mitchell Hall and offer students the option to use PLUS points at several off-campus eateries.

Men's basketball coach Mike Jarvis praised the new program for its diversity. "The meal plan was devised to give students more diversity in choice," he said. "If it does that, then it's good."

Many students also said they found improved food quality since Marriott's departure. "The 'freshman 15' was a loss of 15 pounds for me due to Thurston food (before ServiceMaster arrived)," Alcorn said.

Although most students interviewed said they were happy with the new policies, some said they felt the changes

were not well advertised. Some said they never heard of the new dining options before arriving on campus last weekend.

Other students predicted problems using their points at off-campus eateries such as T.G.I. Friday's.

Ray Martin, regional sales director for the GW Dining Services, said there was an initial problem connecting Friday's with GW's processing network. The problem, however, has been corrected, Martin said.

He also emphasized that dining services wants to work in a partnership with the campus and the students. "A partnership will help us all reach the goals of what students want."

Friday's, Milo's and the H Street Deli are on-line for PLUS use, Martin said. Ciao!, The World Gourmet and Marco and Domino's Pizza should be on line by Friday, he said.

Students can use PLUS points from any meal plan at these locations, including the FLEX plan and the Colonial Gold account.

Milo's and Dominos gratuities are included in the meal plan. Friday's gratuities are not and must be paid in cash, Friday's Assistant General Manager John Mayer said. He also said Assistant discount cards cannot be used with the meal plan.

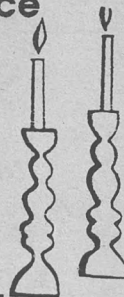
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Peer groups join forces to better serve GW

by Zachary Nienus
Asst. News Editor

Several peer education groups are coordinating their efforts to serve the University more effectively and target certain groups, Peer Education Coordinator Connie Livengood said.

The immediate results of the cooperation will be two joint training sessions during September. The program will also include joint recruiting efforts and presentations, especially for the Freshman Advising Workshops, Livengood said.

"We think the different groups can utilize each other's resources and experiences. This allows them to work more effectively, rather than have to re-invent

the wheel (for each group)," Livengood said.

Several peer education groups are coordinating their efforts, Livengood said, including AIDS Peer Educators and Sexual Assault Peer Educators. Livengood said several other groups have approached her and asked to be included in future efforts.

In addition to several groups already on campus, the program will include a new Greek-letter organization peer advising program, Greek Affairs Coordinator Marcie Tucker said.

Tucker explained that she was in the process of developing a Greek-letter organization peer advising system, using a program developed at Ball State

University as a model. "A key ingredient to the success of the Ball State model was the respect it received from the Greek community," Tucker said.

"A lot of people on campus were looking for a way to get the Greeks involved. We think a peer education system would be one of the most effective ways of doing this," Tucker said.

"We want to develop an effective Greek peer education system that will

also excite the Greek community," she added.

The addition of the fraternities and sororities to the program would help expand the role of Greek-letter organizations on campus, she said.

"We hope to see the Greeks become more involved with not only in a Greek education effort, but part of the larger campus community as well," Tucker said.

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That student notify faculty during the first week of the semester of their intention to be absent from class on their day(s) of religious observance; and

That faculty continue to extend to these students the courtesy of absence without penalty on such occasions, including permission to make up examinations; and

That faculty who intend to observe a religious holiday arrange at the beginning of the semester to re-schedule missed classes or to make other provisions for their course-related activities; and

That the Administration continue to circulate to faculty by the last week of the previous semester a schedule of religious holidays most frequently observed by our students with the notation that student members of other religious groups are also entitled to the same courtesies and accommodations; and

That the Administration convey this policy to students by including it in the schedule of classes and other places deemed appropriate.

In keeping with the Senate resolution, the Administration has compiled the following schedule of religious holidays most frequently observed by our students.

Rosh Hashanah*	September 16, 1993	Jewish
Yom Kippur*	September 25, 1993	Jewish
Sukkot*	September 30, 1993	Jewish
Shemini Azeret*	October 7, 1993	Jewish
Simchat Torah	October 8, 1993	Jewish
Dusserah	October 24, 1993	Hindu
Dipavali	November 13, 1993	Hindu
Bodhi Day	December 8, 1993	Buddhist
First day of Ramadan	February 12,, 1994	Muslim
Nehan-e	February 15, 1994	Buddhist
Idul-Fitr: end of Ramadan	March 14, 1994	Muslim
First Day of Passover*	March 27, 1994	Jewish
Good Friday	April 1, 1994	Roman Catholic, Protestant
Hanamatsun	April 8, 1994	Buddhist
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GW posts biggest rise in applications in D.C.

by Elissa Leibowitz

Managing Editor

GW had the highest increase in applicants and the second highest increase in enrollees of any university in the Washington area, The Washington Post reported Wednesday.

A Washington Post survey of 11 colleges and universities in Washington and surrounding Maryland and Virginia listed GW's 1993 application rate as 31 percent higher than 1992.

The District's Howard University and Marymount University in Virginia both placed second in applications with 12 percent increases each. GW placed behind Trinity College, also in Washington, in enrollment by 8 percentage points, although Trinity has only 96 freshmen versus GW's 1,500.

Georgetown University officials announced a 10 percent increase in applications and a less than 1 percent increase in enrollment. American University had a 6 percent application and a 2 percent enrollment increase.

The applications increase, however, was no shock to University officials. Robert Chernak, vice president for Student and Academic Support Services, said the public's perception of GW is finally catching up with what the GW community already knows.

"As far as quality of academic experiences, I always believed we were underrated . . . because as an institution, we had low self-esteem of ourselves," he said.

He said in the past GW was not as strong marketing the school. "Sustaining that level of quality coupled with better communication and punctuated by some of high visibility of the University have all combined to create greater name recognition," Chernak said.

Dean of Students Linda Donnels agreed, saying that many parents and students said they felt more welcomed at GW than at other Washington area schools. "A number of families were impressed from the beginning of the application process.



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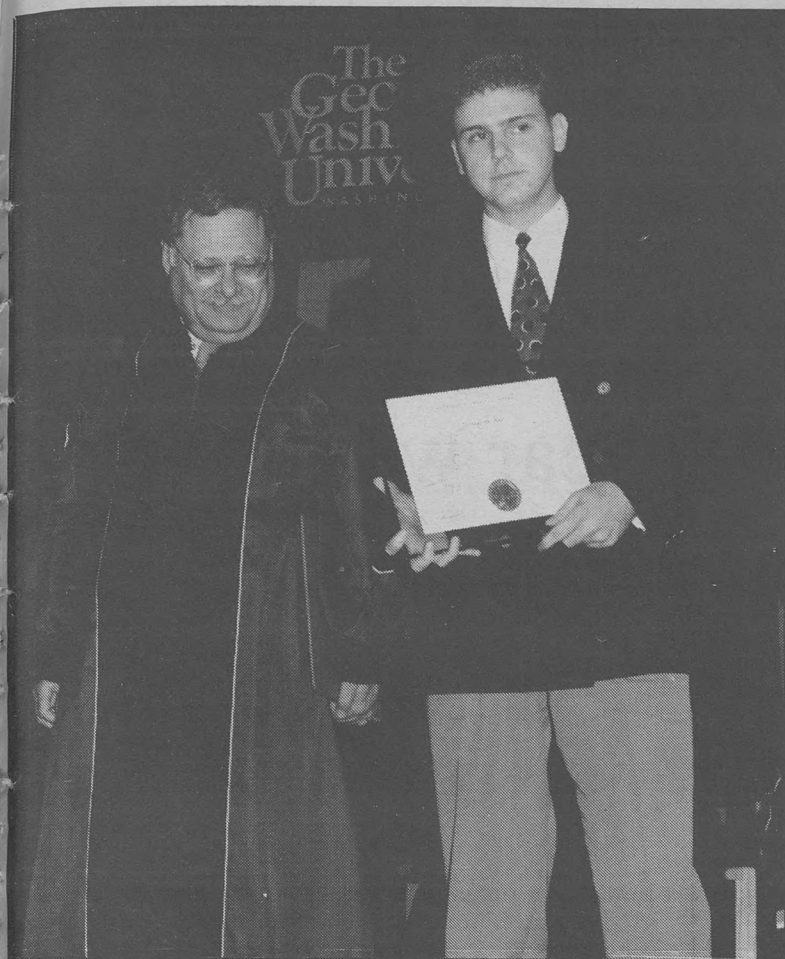


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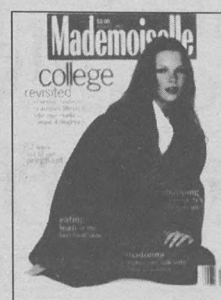
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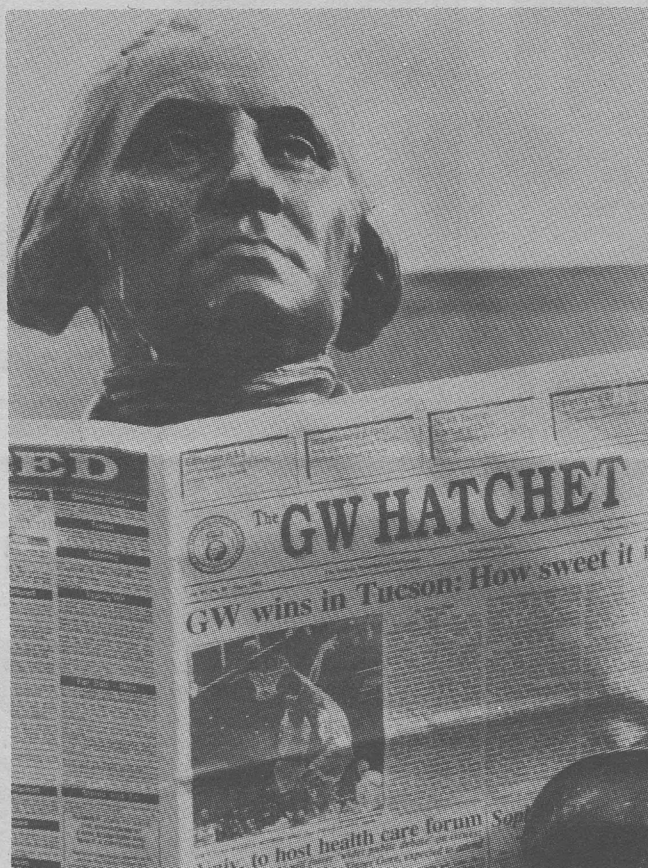
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SPORTS

Spikers knock down opponent Vtyurina leads in kills at UVa

by Deanna Reiter
Sports Editor

Sophomore Svetlana Vtyurina opened the GW volleyball season Wednesday setting a personal kill record and leading her team to a decisive win.

Vtyurina executed 30 kills during the five-game match, setting a personal GW record and helping the team to overcome the University of Virginia, 3-2. The match lasted two hours and 45 minutes, and was a real "barnburner," said head coach Susie Homan.

The Colonial Women were down two games to one going into their third game. But the team beat the Cavaliers in the fourth game with a score of 15-12 and a strong fifth game of 15-6 after the first two games teetered.

GW won the first game 15-13, but fell to Virginia in the second and third games, 13-15 and 14-16.

"It was a very good match for the first match of the season. After the first game

we put it on cruise for awhile, but we regrouped and came on strong," Homan said.

Homan pointed out that Jill Lamert, Vtyurina and freshman Heather McNab were key to GW's win. "(McNab) did an outstanding job in the fourth and fifth games. She served the last two points of the fifth game and did well under intense pressure," Homan said.

Homan added the Cavaliers were a good, competitive team. "They were a young team. We didn't know what to expect."

But she said she now has some expectations for the season. "We learned

about what we need to work on and strengthen. Hopefully this match will set the pace for the entire year."

Homan foresees similar competition this weekend (Thursday through Saturday) at the Washington Metro Challenge held in the Smith Center. The Colonial Women first play Friday at 7:30 p.m. against the winner of Georgetown University and Howard University.

George Mason University, University of Maryland, and University of Maryland — Baltimore County will also vie for the first place spot in the tournament.

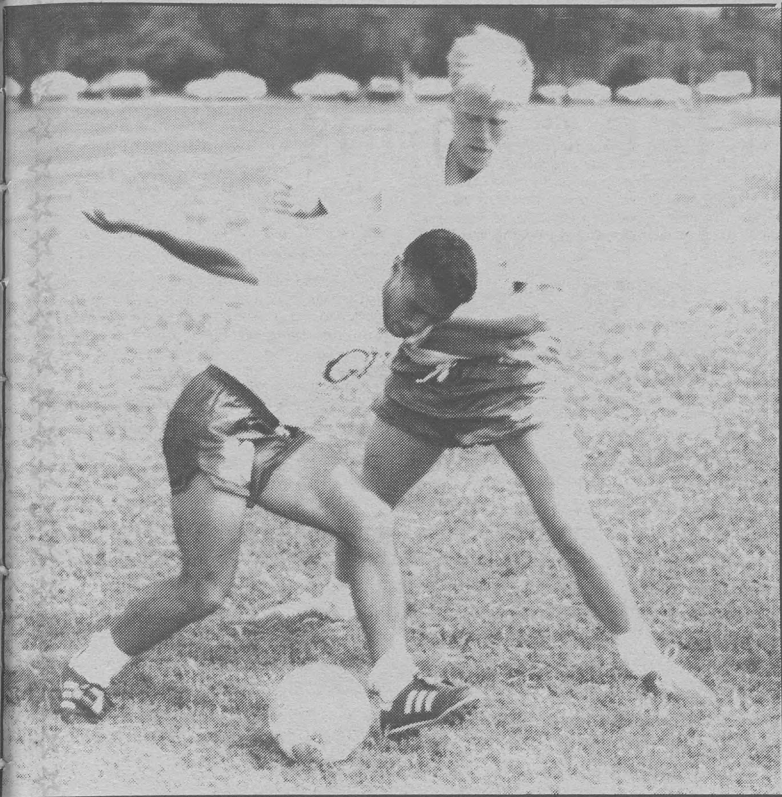


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Junior Marcelo Valencia (10) battles it out with head coach George Lidster at Tuesday's practice.

Colonials prevail in pre-season

Team conquers Old Dominion and Georgetown, falls to Alumni

by Bonnie Smith
Hatchet Sports Reporter

GW Alumni 2, GW 1

The GW men's soccer game against GW alumni Saturday was halted for more than an hour into the game because of stormy weather.

Lightning stopped the Bretton Woods game just 70 minutes into play as the team fell behind the alumni players, 2-1.

Miguel Reyes, senior forward, scored the lone goal for GW, while former GW players Gary Walker and Paul Boul scored the goals for the alumni team.

The Colonial-Alumni match drew more than 30 alumni participants, the largest turnout ever. "The alumni game was just simply a fun situation where all the alumni are obviously out to have a good time and to try and beat the present varsity team," said head coach George Lidster.

GW 3, Old Dominion 2

The Colonials defeated Old Dominion University Thursday. Senior forward Derk Droze, senior midfielder Seth Morrison and Reyes each scored a goal for the team. The final score was 3-2.

GW 3, Georgetown 1

The Colonials also defeated Georgetown University Aug. 23, 3-1. Derk Droze scored both goals.

"We played very well in both games," Lidster said. "We tied with Georgetown last year, so to beat them three to one was a big improvement on last year's performance."

The Colonials met some adverse conditions during their pre-season practice sessions. Francis Field, GW's home field at 25th and M streets N.W., is now being reseeded with Bermuda grass. The men's soccer team was forced to practice 35 minutes away from campus at Andrews Air Force Base. "It's a little bit of a hassle," Lidster said, "especially (during) pre-season, when you're (practicing) twice a day. We'll look forward to when the field will be ready, hopefully by next week."

Tryouts for the GW men's soccer team are also getting underway. The competitive tryout session will be held Sept. 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the Smith Center, Lidster said.

"For people to join our squad, they're going to have to be as good as or certainly better than anybody we've

got," Lidster noted.

He was cautious, though, in predicting the outcome of the season so early in its start. The Colonials face a tough schedule for this season, too. "It all depends how quickly we mold together. So far, in the exhibition games, we've played very well. We seem to come together as a team."

Lidster said the graduation of last year's captains, Chris Majewski and Werner Dasbach, may have cast doubts on the team's ability to compete and succeed in the Atlantic 10 Conference. Lidster said Majewski and Dasbach provided great leadership for the team, and their loss may hurt the team's morality.

But Lidster said, "So far they're doing very well. Time will tell."

Saves — The Colonials next appearance is at the Diadora Classic. They will first battle it out against Fairleigh Dickinson University Saturday. GW hits the field again Sunday against New York's St. John's University. The tournament will be held at American University.

"The first two (scheduled) games are going to be fairly tough. We will soon see how good we are," Lidster said.

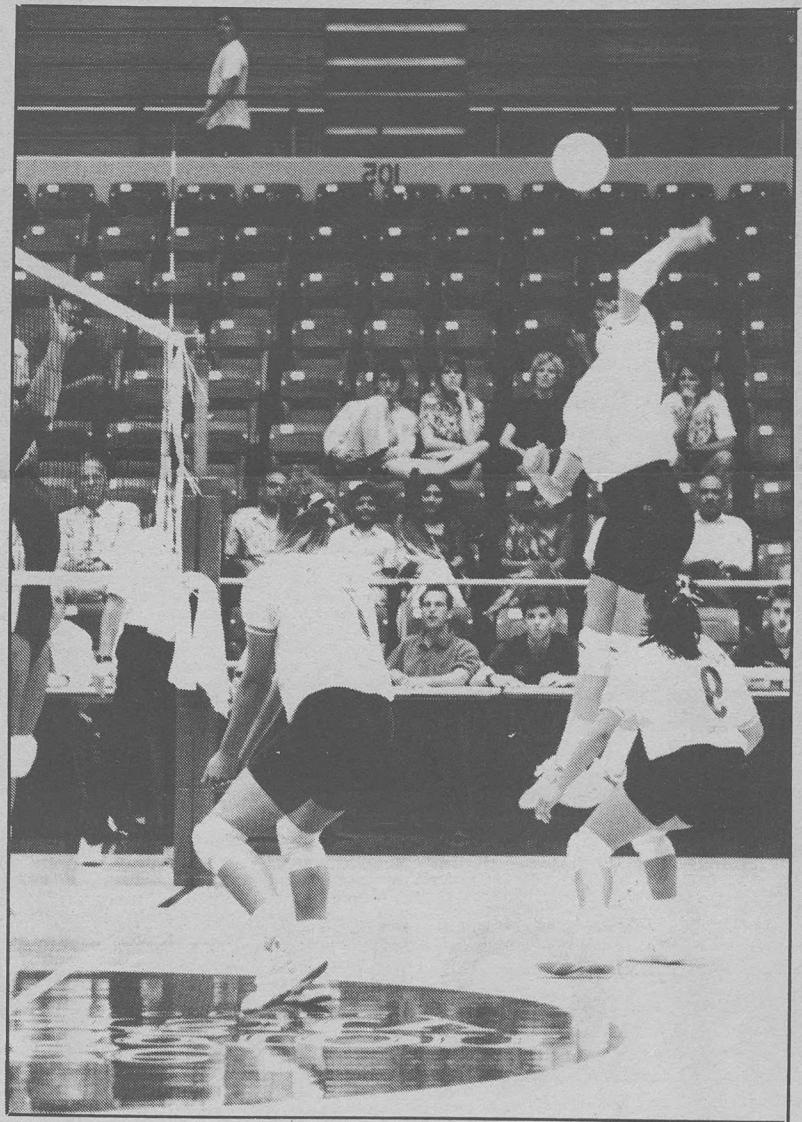


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Svetlana Vtyurina, in a photo from last season, continued her strong kill record at Wednesday's match against University of Virginia.

New coaches welcomed aboard

by Deanna Reiter
Sports Editor

The GW men's and women's freshman crew teams start their seasons this year led by two coaches new to GW who are hardly newcomers to the collegiate sport.

Tina Brown will coach the women's freshman crew team and Ken Dreyfus is taking over the men's freshman coaching position.

Brown, a 1990 GW fine arts graduate, rowed for the women's crew team during her four years here. She was named most valuable player as a junior and again as a senior. In the same two years, she helped bring her team to the Collegiate National Champions

Women's (4+) Four.

In 1991, Brown rowed as a pair (2+) for the national team in Vienna, Austria, and held the bow position for the U.S. Olympic (8+) Eight in Barcelona, Spain. Her team made the finals and placed sixth overall.

"She has a very good grounding in the technology of rowing . . . and has good leadership characteristics. She has infectious enthusiasm for rowing and for life," GW head coach Paul Wilkins said.

Dreyfus, a 1971 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, was coxswain and captain of the UPenn men's varsity heavyweight crew team. He has a wide range of coaching

experience, beginning with his career as a freshmen coach at Navy from 1977 to 1984 and from 1990 to 1992. Between his Navy coaching stints, he was the Stanford University head coach for the men's crew team from 1984 to 1990.

"I've been astounded by the quality of people who showed up at the (recruiting) meetings. They were all tremendous athletes. With hard work and vision, we can go a long way," Dreyfus said.

"This is my 13th year here, and this is the best staff I have ever had. Last year we made the top two or three places in most events, and I think we can do better than that this year. I think people will have trouble getting us off the winner's stand," Wilkins said.

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